GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:21
ANSWERED ON:13.08.2007
UNORGANISED WORKERS SOCIAL SECURITY BILL,2007
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any report containing some recommendations from the National Commission for Enterprises in the Unorganised Sector (NCEUS);

(b) if so, the details of recommendations made by the Commission;

(c) whether the Commission has also recommended the imposition of social security tax for the benefit of workers in the unorganized sector;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto;

(e) the progress made in finalizing the Unorganised Workers Social Security Bill, 2007 so far;

(f) whether the modifications suggested by various stakeholders have since been incorporated therein; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the said Bill is likely to be introduced in the Parliament?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI OSCAR FERNANDES)

(a) to (g): The statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (g) OF THE LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 21 FOR 13.08.2007 REGARDING UNORGANISED WORKERS SOCIAL SECURITY BILL, 2007.

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): In its report, the National Commission for Enterprises in the Unorganised Sector (NCEUS) has recommended for national minimum social security benefits for unorganised sector workers which, inter-alia, include life and disability cover, health insurance, old age protection and any other scheme as deemed necessary.

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d) to (g): The proposals and the suggestions received thereon were examined. The Unorganised Sector Workers Social Security Bill is under active consideration and Government intends to introduce the Bill during the current session of Parliament.